



DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12589-028]

Public Service Company of Colorado; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Protests

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

- a. Type of Application: Non-capacity amendment of license
- b. Project No.: 12589-028
- c. Date Filed: July 2, 2021
- d. Applicant: Public Service Company of Colorado
- e. Name of Project: Tacoma Hydroelectric Project
- f. Location: The project is located on Cascade Creek in La Planta and San Juan counties, Colorado.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 USC §§ 791 (a)-825(r)
- h. Applicant Contact: Ms. Christine Johnston, Environmental Analyst, Xcel Energy
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- i. FERC Contact: Mr. Korede Olagbegi, (202) 502-6268,
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- j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests **is 30 days from the issuance of this notice**. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, and protests using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/doc-sfiling/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, you may send a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy

Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-12589-028. Comments emailed to Commission staff are not considered part of the Commission record.

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. **Description of Request:** The applicant proposes to delete Article 305 and Article 406 from its license, and to modify Article 407, relating to the construction and operation of the Canyon Creek Diversion to supply back-up water to the Tacoma powerhouse. Previously in an order issued November 15, 2012, Commission staff required the applicant, pursuant to Article 305 of its license, to instead construct and operate a flow line from Electra Lake to supply back-up water to the Tacoma powerhouse. Upon further evaluation, the applicant has determined that the need for a back-up water supply is no longer necessary at this time. As such, the applicant proposes to delete Articles 305 and 406, and modify Article 407, all associated with the construction and operation of the Canyon Creek Diversion or the alternative flow line.

l. **Locations of the Applications:** The Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this document via the Internet through the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicants. At this time, the Commission has suspended access to the Commission's Public Reference Room due to the proclamation declaring a National Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), issued by the President on March 13, 2020. For assistance, contact FERC at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll free, (866) 208-3676 or TTY, (202) 502-8659.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. **Comments, Motions to Intervene, or Protests:** Anyone may submit comments, a motion to intervene, or a protest in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, motions to intervene, or protests must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

o. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents: Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title “COMMENTS”, “MOTION TO INTERVENE”, or “PROTEST” as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2010.

Dated: October 14, 2021.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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